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NOTE VERBALE DATED 5 NOVEMBER 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF SENEGAL TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Senegal to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to transmit to him herewith the text of an appeal made on 1 November 1992 by His Excellency Mr. Abdou Diouf, President of the Republic of Senegal, in his capacity as current Chairman of the Organization of African Unity.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Senegal to the United Nations would be grateful if the Secretary-General of the United Nations would have this appeal relating to the situation in Angola circulated as a document of the Security Council.

Annex

Appeal made on 1 November 1992 by President Abdou Diouf, in his capacity as current Chairman of the Organization of African Unity, on the situation in Angola

The situation in Angola has deteriorated dangerously during the past 48 hours.

The deadly fighting which is taking place in the Angolan capital of Luanda and in the interior of the country has already claimed several victims.

These clashes between members of UNITA and government forces have resulted from the political crisis following the Presidential and legislative elections which took place in Angola under the supervision of several international observers from the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity.

Despite the combined efforts of the United Nations, the Organization of African Unity and several Governments to ensure respect for the choice of the Angolan electorate and the establishment of an atmosphere of calm conducive to national reconciliation in Angola, the situation has not improved in the desired direction.

The Organization of African Unity, which is gravely concerned over the most recent outbreak of violence in Angola, urgently appeals, through me, to the Angolan political leaders in general and to Mr. Jonas Savimbi, President of UNITA, in particular, to put an immediate stop to the fratricidal clashes which are endangering internal peace, security, stability and all the efforts hitherto deployed to ensure a pluralistic democracy so essential to national reconciliation in Angola.

This appeal is also addressed to the United Nations so that, in conjunction with all the regional organizations, such as the Organization of African Unity, and others of good will in the world, the joint efforts already undertaken to put an end to the violence will be pursued in order to avoid a new civil war in Angola which would be a catastrophe for that country, for the subregion and for Africa.

Abdou DIOUF